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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF AMBASSADOR WALTER J. STOESSEL, JR.

TO AMSTERDAM, APRIL 25-26, 1978

1. AMBASSADOR WALTER J. STOESSEL, JR. AND MRS. MARY ANN STOESSEL PLAN TO DRIVE BY POV FROM BONN VIA THE AACHEN AUTOBAHN TO AMSTERDAM AND RETURN VIA THE SAME ROUTE DURING THE PERIOD TUESDAY/THURSDAY, APRIL 25-27, 1978. EXACT TIMES OF ESTIMATED DEPARTURE FROM BONN AND CROSSING THE GERMAN/DUTCH BORDER BOTH ON GOING AND RETURN ARE NOT YET KNOWN, BUT WILL BE REPORTED AS SOON AS THE STOESSELS RETURN SUNDAY OR MONDAY, APRIL 23-24.

2. SINCE NOVEMBER 1977 BONN POLICE HAVE PROVIDED FOLLOW-CAR COVERAGE OF AMBASSADOR. POLICE FOLLOW-CAR WILL ACCOMPANY AMBASSADOR AND MRS. STOESSEL FROM THE BONN RESIDENCE TO THE GERMAN/DUTCH AACHEN/HEERLEN BORDER CROSSING. THE FOLLOW-CAR WILL BE PRE-POSITIONED AT THAT SAME BORDER CROSSING ON THE ANTICIPATED DATE AND TIME OF RETURN.

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3. THE STOESSELS PLAN TO OVERNIGHT IN AMSTERDAM AT THE AMBASSADE HOTEL, 339 HERRENGRACHT. THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF THEIR TRIP IS TOURISM: TO DRIVE IN THE

AMSTERDAM AND THE HAGUE AREA AND VISIT TULIP FIELDS.
4. RSO BONN WOULD APPRECIATE RSO THE HAGUE NOTIFYING DUTCH SECURITY AND POLICE OFFICIALS OF THE ITINERARY AND PRESENCE OF AMBASSADOR AND MRS. STOESSEL, AND

INVITING DUTCH AUTHORITIES TO TAKE WHATEVER SECURITY MEASURES THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE.

5. RSO BONN UNDERSTANDS DUTCH AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT RPT NOT ROUTINELY PROVIDED FOLLOW-CAR FOR U.S.

AMBASSADOR TO THE NETHERLANDS. THEREFORE, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE INAPPROPRIATE TO REQUEST SUCH COVERAGE FOR AMBASSADOR STOESSEL IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY SPECIFIC THREAT OR INFORMATION.

6. THE STOESSELS PLAN TO DRIVE THEIR 1977 SILVER-GRAY MERCEDES 280 SEL, TWO-DOOR POV, LICENSE NO. 0-17-100, WITH THE REAR MARKINGS, "D" AND "CD".

7. EMBASSY BONN IS ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN ALTERNATE LICENSE PLATES FOR THE STOESSELS, RATHER THAN THE WELL-KNOWN NUMBER MENTIONED ABOVE, BUT WE ARE NOT YET CERTAIN IF THESE ADDITIONAL LICENSE PLATES WILL BE AVAILABLE BEFORE THE ESTIMATED DATE OF DEPARTURE.

WILL ADVISE.

8. APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE.

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